

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Masao NORO et al.

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Serial No.: 10/785,587

Examiner: Paul Disler

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For: ARRAY DRIVING SYSTEM AND METHOD

OF DRIVING LOADS

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 18, 2009 in connection with the above-identified application, the due date for response to which has been extended to September 18, 2009 by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time, the Applicant respectfully submits a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-referenced application along with a Preliminary Amendment. Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks prior to examination of the above-identified application: